

DELAWARE AGRICULTURAL LANDS
PRESERVATION FOUNDATION
Agenda Amended January 7, 2013
Foundation Meeting Date January 16, 2013 8:30 a.m.
Delaware Department of Agriculture, Conference Room Two
2320 S. DuPont Hwy., Dover, DE 19901
Phone: 698-4500 or 1-800-282-8685

FOUNDATION MEETING:

I. Preservation Districts

A. Current Situation Report – Robin West

B. Monitoring Report – Milton Melendez

C. Young Farmers Report – Austin Short

D. District Eligibility:

1. **Wheatley Farms, Inc. District, ID#S-12-11-267**

E. Expansion Eligibility & Final Approval:

1. **The Hitching Rail Expansion of the C.E. Lynch & Sons, Inc. District, ID#K-12-09-030C**

2. **Atkinson Expansion of the Hanson Agricultural Lands District, ID#K-12-11-044S**

3. **Hudson Expansion of the Baxter Farms, Inc. – Lowes Crossroads District, ID#S-12-08-038A**

4. R. Gehman Expansion of the Ledhenham-Vanderwende District, ID#S-12-07-1500

- II. Secretary of Agriculture's Veto
- III. Opportunity for Public Comments
- IV. Minutes
- V. Financial Highlights
- VI. Executive Session - Pursuant to 29 Del. C. §10004 (b) (2), (4) and (6) the Board will go into executive session for the purpose of receiving legal advice and to discuss and review confidential appraisal matters. The Board will not vote on any matter in executive session.
- VII. Other Business
 - 1. Wilson Farm
 - 2. Round 17 Update
- VIII. Adjournment

PUBLIC NOTICE

The Delaware Agricultural Lands Preservation Foundation

The Foundation will meet on January 16, 2013, at 8:30 A.M. at the Delaware Department of Agriculture, 2320 S. DuPont Highway, Dover, Delaware. The purpose of the meeting is to review applications before the Foundation and conduct other Foundation business.

The Foundation, in addition to reviewing applications for the establishment of agricultural preservation districts, shall also review the following applications for forestland preservation areas and expansions of existing agricultural preservation districts: the Hitching Rail Expansion of the C.E. Lynch & Sons, Inc. District (K-12-09-030C), located in Kent County, Sandbox Rd.; the Atkinson Expansion of the Hanson Agricultural Lands District (K-12-11-044S), located in Kent County, Prospect Church Road; the Hudson Expansion of the Baxter Farms, Inc.-Lowes Crossroads District (S-12-08-038A), located in Sussex County,

Curley Drive; and the R. Gehman Expansion of the Ledhenham-Vanderwende District (S-12-07-150O), located in Sussex County, Blanchard Rd. The Foundation has authority to grant expansion requests, subject to a right of rejection of the Secretary of the Department of Agriculture and appeal of the decision to the Superior Court. The approval of an expansion to an existing agricultural preservation district confers the same rights and privileges to the expansion properties which are enjoyed by the existing agricultural preservation districts. Also, inclusion of an expansion to a district has impacts on landowners and land uses adjacent to the expanded district as set forth in 3 Del. C. §910.

The public is invited to provide comments prior to the January 16, 2013 meeting. Information concerning the applications for expansion of the agricultural preservation districts is available upon request from the Foundation by contacting Cathy Mesick, 1-800-282-8685, or 698-4531. The applications are also available for public inspection.

The public, including adjacent landowners, are also invited to attend this meeting and provide comments regarding the

applications for expansion prior to the time that the Foundation takes formal action on the applications.

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Accommodations are available for individuals with disabilities.

Persons with disabilities are encouraged to call Debbie Carey (302-698-4500) or toll free (1-800-282-8685) to request an auxiliary aid or service.